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IMMENSE STOCK SHIPMENTS.

McCreedy \$500,000 and Auxvasse \$350,000—Annual Record.

The great record of stock shipments from McCreedy for 11 months of this year, from January 1 to December 1, 1905, is, according to most reliable authority, 30 car loads, making an approximate value of nearly \$500,000 from there alone.

For the month of December it is estimated there was somewhere between 35 and 40 car loads of stock shipped from McCreedy, which will easily run the total shipment from that point over a half million dollars.

Another point in this large transaction of business from McCreedy that will be of great interest is the fact that the freight paid on the shipments is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$14,000 and for the year will reach probably more than \$15,000 on stock shipment alone.

These figures are as nearly accurate as can be given at this time. They will not only be of interest, but will be a great surprise to everybody in the immense volume of business done at McCreedy.

CONVICTIONS ARE OF VALUE.

Must be Planted Deep if They Are to Bred and Influence.

Nobody who is endowed with a good mind and wants to live to his satisfaction can afford to neglect the acquisition of convictions, says Edward E. Martin in the Metropolitan. What are they? They ought to be opinions based on knowledge and definitely thought out. Practically they come in various ways—often by inheritance or as the result of early training; sometimes by association, sometimes from the automatic working of the mind during long periods when it is acquiring and sifting knowledge and experience. Sometimes, again, convictions seem to come suddenly, especially religious convictions, though there is usually a long process of preparation thought behind them that is seldom added. Deep convictions on any subject don't come ready-made. One has to work for them; to earn them. If they are to hold and to influence conduct, they must be planted deep.

BLEW THE MONEY TO PIECES.

Currency to the Amount of \$2,500 Destroyed in an Illinois Bank Robbery.

St. Louis, Dec. 19.—Four robbers blew open the safe in the bank at Baldwin, Ill., forty-five miles south of St. Louis, today. They fought with citizens and escaped in a buggy. Nobody was hurt in the attack. About \$2,500 in currency was torn to shreds by the explosion and \$1,000 in silver was damaged. It is not known how much the robbers took. A posse with bloodhounds is in pursuit.

WHAT IT COST MISSOURI.

The State Spent \$34,902.11 at the Portland Exposition.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 19.—The Portland Exposition committee for the state of Missouri spent \$34,902.11 of the \$35,000 appropriated for the display of the resources of the exposition. The committee met here today and made its report to Governor Folk. R. H. Kerr, of St. Louis, E. S. Garner of Grant City and E. E. McInnis of St. Joseph composed the committee.

Old Student Married.

J. P. Landreth, of St. Louis, a former M. A. student, was married Wednesday to Marshall to Miss Virginia Redman. Mr. Landreth is city salesman for the Garlock Packing Co. of St. Louis. Mrs. Landreth was Miss Mabel Virginia Redman, of Marshall, Mo. Mr. Landreth is brother of the bridegroom, and Miss Harriet, cousin of the bride, both of St. Louis, attended the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Landreth became acquainted during the World's Fair. They departed last night for a tour of the south, and will return to St. Louis, where they reside, soon after the first of the year.

Murderer Released After Serving 34 Years.

THRENTON, N. J., Dec. 29.—Libbie Garabrandt, the Patterson murderer, received a parole from the Board of Pardons today by a vote of 5 to 3.

High Price For Walnut Logs.

Large numbers of walnut logs are being cut in eastern Jackson county and taken to the sawmill near Sheffield. The producer gets about \$35 for 1,000 feet, board measure, for the logs of good quality delivered at the mill. Although walnut is becoming quite scarce in many parts of the country there are still many fine groves of the valuable timber in Jackson county.

Mulhall Must Pay \$5,000.

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—The suit of Ernest Morgan against Zach Mulhall, the Wild West showman and stockman, for \$20,000 damages because Morgan was shot during an encounter between Mulhall and another man on the pike last year, has resulted in a verdict of \$5,000 in favor of the plaintiff.

Unwilling Distinction.

A Scotch minister was in need of funds, and thus conveyed his intentions to his congregation: "Well, friends, the sick is begging to need of siller, and as we have failed to get money honestly, we will have to see what a hearse will do for us."—London Tit-Bits.

CUSTOM MILLS

THE LADY OF HIS CHOICE.

Robert R. Hooton Leads to Rymen's Alter the Beautiful and Accomplished Miss Ethel Hunt, of Centralia.

Married, at the residence of Major Godfrey Jaeger, in Centralia, Mo., Mr. Robert R. Hooton, of near this city, and Miss Ethel Hunt, of Centralia, Rev. A. W. Kokenfelder, of this city, officiating.

Now, for many moons, Mr. Hooton has been looking around and casting goo-goo eyes for a lady of his choice. He has written and talked to many hundreds of the dear ladies from ocean to ocean, but not until recently was he aware that Miss Hunt "had stolen his heart away," captured him "houl and body." And so the happy event was related at Centralia at about 7 o'clock, Wednesday evening, in the presence of a few immediate friends and relatives, after which Mr. and Mrs. Hooton took the Wabash train for this city, and then to their farm, just west of town, where they will reside in the future. The groom had previously arranged his residence for his beautiful, vivacious and petite bride to take charge of, and everything was right up to the minute.

Mr. Hooton is one of Andrain's well known citizens, and has a splendid farm, well stocked, and is in good shape financially.

His bride is quite well known in Mexico, and is a most amiable young lady. A bright future is before this happy couple, and the LEXONIAN, the writer and a host of friends wish them the long and prosperous life, which this handsome and well matched couple so richly deserve.

For over a year we have endeavored to put our persuasive powers to good use both by word and in print, for Bob, in the hope of finding him a good, true and lovable wife. All of our efforts were in vain so far as we were aware, but it seems as though Bob allowed our friend, Joe Cauthorn, of the Intelligence, to get in a "scoop" by writing up his marriage in advance.

It is a pleasure to see the "wonder" done up. We are quite sure Bob could have captured any fair maiden in Andrain county, just by the asking, but now that he has won the heart and hand of the lady of his choice, we will let it go at that.

EXTRAORDINARY OFFER.

A Map of Andrain County and the Weekly Ledger for \$1.50.

The management of the LEXONIAN is prepared to continue to offer the Mexico Map of Andrain County for one dollar and fifty cents. This extraordinary offer will also apply to the old subscribers of the LEXONIAN who renew their subscriptions before Jan. 1, 1906. The Mexico LEXONIAN is one dollar a year when paid in advance. The Mexico LEXONIAN, from now until Jan. 1, 1906, and the Mexico LEXONIAN Map of Andrain county for one dollar and fifty cents.

BREATHES HOUR AFTER DEATH.

Victim of Poison Respirates Though Heart Ceases to Beat.

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—For an hour after Miss Rosie Fischer had been pronounced dead of carbolic acid poisoning at the city dispensary this morning and her heart had ceased to beat she continued breathing spontaneously. Dr. W. S. Lawrence said the breathing was due to reflex spinal action, and though breathing after death is very rare, it is not unknown to medical science. He refused to allow the removal of the body to the morgue until the breathing had ceased.

Funeral of J. G. Holt.

The funeral of J. G. Holt, who died at his home in Kansas City Thursday afternoon, arrived here Friday and will be interred in the Mexico cemetery Saturday.

The deceased is survived by a wife, formerly Miss Emma Morris, of this city, and Miss K. Holt was a man of many admirable qualities and had many friends in this city who join the LEXONIAN in extending sympathy to the bereaved wife.

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THE LIGHT OF OTHER DAYS.

Not very many years ago alcohol was used for lighting in combination with other fuels under the name of "kerosene," but it was so dangerous, especially to a delicate person, that it was soon abandoned.

Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" is a powerful remedy for all kinds of ailments, including the most serious ones. It is a powerful remedy for all kinds of ailments, including the most serious ones. It is a powerful remedy for all kinds of ailments, including the most serious ones.

Used as one of the active ingredients of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," black cherry bark specially exerts its influence in cases of lung and bronchial troubles, and this "discovery" is, therefore, a powerful remedy for bronchitis, laryngitis, chronic cough, catarrh and kindred ailments.

The famous "Golden Medical Discovery" of this world-famous remedy are: Golden Seal root, Queen's root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Blackberry root and many others.

"I have had such a wonderful experience with Dr. Pierce's 'Golden Medical Discovery' that I do not hesitate to recommend it to all who are afflicted with any of the ailments mentioned above."—Mrs. J. M. Hooton, of Kansas, Andrain, Mo.

For 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing, you can get a free copy of the "Golden Medical Discovery" paper covers; or, if you prefer, you can get a copy of the "Golden Medical Discovery" paper covers; or, if you prefer, you can get a copy of the "Golden Medical Discovery" paper covers.

FELL AND SPAINED BACK.

Mrs. Clem Hollis Slips on Ice Steps and is Injured by Fall Wednesday Morning.

Mrs. Clem Hollis, living on west Whalley street, was painfully injured early Wednesday morning by a fall.

Mrs. Hollis started down a pair of back steps with a pan of water in her hands, when she slipped on the thin coating of ice on the steps and fell, spraining and bruising her back painfully, though, it is hoped, not seriously. She is resting easier today and her many friends trust that she will soon recover.

SYMPTOMS OF OLD AGE.

If You Have Them, You May Know You Are Declining.

Here are the three deadly symptoms of old age: Selfishness—Stagnation—Intolerance.

If we find them in ourselves, we may know we are growing old—even if we are on the merry side of thirty. But happily, we have three defenses, which are invaluable: If we use them we shall die young if we live to be a hundred. They are: Sympathy—Progress—Tolerance.

The first is the hardest to master, of us, because our little piece of Actual is so immensely important to us. There is no denying the fact that when you have a toothache yourself, it is hard to have to comfort other people's aches. But it can be done, though it generally involves physical effort, for we must be selfless, and act; the mere feeling of sympathy expressed by action is a poor, useless thing, but the deed, done to help to grow old, can force the body to such physical effort, though there is no denying that it is hard work.—Harper's Bazar.

Favor Jurymen Who Read.

MACON, Mo., Dec. 29.—While jury duty was being qualified in a criminal case this afternoon, James Vandyske, in response to the question as to his knowledge of the case said, he had read the newspaper.

"Of course you have," said Judge Shelton. "You wouldn't be a good jurymen otherwise. That old excuse does not obtain now. All persons intelligent enough to be jurymen read the papers, and instead of it disqualifying them for jury duty it makes them the more acceptable."

Funeral of William H. Perry.

Funeral services over the remains of William H. Perry, who died Thursday morning at 10 o'clock of cancer, were conducted from the home in the western suburbs of this city Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. C. C. Seelman.

Mr. Perry was an honored and respected citizen and in his death the community sustained a great loss. The pallbearers were: W. D. Lee, A. J. Ardell, E. C. Paul, Edward Lee, Dr. Tinsler and A. C. Barnes.

World Not Prohibit Football.

Ex-Governor David R. Francis spoke to the students of the Missouri State University today. He did not think that football should be prohibited, but that there should be modifications of the game so that what the Governor called "roughness" and "unpleasantness" and "brutality" may be eliminated. These elements of the sport, he declared, must be reprobated.

Couldn't Get a Quorum.

A meeting of the city council was called for 7 o'clock Wednesday night to pass the ordinance accepting the south Jefferson street paving, but owing to the fact that not enough of the aldermen were present to form a quorum, nothing was done.

International Pat Stock Show.

E. H. Carter, Robert Johnson, J. T. Johnson, Charles Clark and Rufus Jackson are home from Chicago, where they attended the International Pat Stock Show.

Setter Crews and Ralph Mason

are home from the University to spend the holidays.

Maj. Willis, of Mo. N. A. is spending

Christmas with relatives in St. Joseph.

Minor Butts is home from Quincy,

Ill., where he is attending C. G. H. College.

Miss Emma Mundy is home from a

pleasant visit to relatives in the holidays.

WANT IRON STAIRWAY.

Citizens Request Wabash to Build Steps From Clark Avenue Bridge to West End of Platform.

A petition, signed by several hundred prominent citizens, has been handed to Division Superintendent Richard Doyle, of the Wabash railroad, requesting an iron stairway be erected from the Clark Ave. bridge down to the west end of the new station platform.

This would be quite a convenience, as it would make it possible for passengers to reach the depot without crossing the tracks. A number of the petition signers feel confident that this request will be complied with as the idea was suggested recently to Wabash officials who thought it a good one. The coping surrounding the platform has nearly all been placed and in a few days the work of laying brick will begin.

HOW HE AWOKE ON TIME.

Procured Sleep on Installation Plan, With No Risk.

A party of traveling men were at breakfast in the hotel cafe. "I ought to be half way to Washington by this time," remarked one. "But I've missed the early train. Forget to leave a call and overleap."

"You're easy," chimed in another, "I have a scheme for getting me up at the right time that is infallible. It's simple, too. If I've been up with the boys to 4 a. m., and must catch a train at 6 o'clock, I lie down on my cot with a shoe in each hand. When I drift into slumber I'm sure to drop one shoe and the bump wakes me. I equip myself with both shoes again and repeat the performance. In that way I really get sleep on the installation plan and am never in danger of missing connections."—Philadelphia Record.

BUY TEXAS LAND.

Productive Soil, Delightful Climate Abundance of Pure Water—\$2 to \$10 Per Acre.

Now, Right Now, is the opportune time to get a cheap home in the Panhandle. An exceptional opportunity is offered to buy a permanent investment. Sherman and Hansford Counties located in the extreme northern part of the Panhandle, thirty miles from the Southern line of Kansas. The main line of the Rock Island System from Kansas City to El Paso enters near the Texas line, and crosses Sherman County, and connects with other lines running Southeast to the Gulf of Mexico. It is a direct outlet to market for the products of the country.

Soil and crops produced nearly all the land in Sherman and Hansford counties is comparatively level, having sufficient slope for drainage; the soil is rich, and the climate is good, and all that is not in cultivation is covered with prairie and alfalfa, and is well adapted for the raising of stock. Wheat yields from 15 to 25 bushels per acre; Oats yield from 40 to 60 bushels per acre; Barley yields from 25 to 35 bushels per acre; Rye yields from 35 to 45 bushels per acre; Milo yields from 35 to 45 bushels per acre; Corn yields from 35 to 45 bushels per acre.

A great stock country. The extraordinary growth of the forage plants, alfalfa and buffalo grass, together with the abundance of pure water, makes stock raising very profitable in the Panhandle country. Besides the experimental station of Kansas located in Sherman County, there is only one-tenth less than that of corn.

Former Jurymen Be Injured.

Garrett C. (Hub) Stephenson, formerly of this city, at present a fireman on the C. & A. railroad, was injured at Farber last Saturday by a large lump of coal falling on him. Mr. Stephenson was leading coal into the engine tender when a large lump rolled down and struck his leg. Had it hit squarely, the limb would have been mangled.

Dr. Hodges, of this city, dressed the injury and pronounced it a bad bruise. Mr. Stephenson was taken to his home in Slater, where he is now resting easily.

William H. Perry Dead.

William H. Perry, aged 63 years, died at his home in the west suburbs of this city at 10 o'clock Thursday morning of cancer. Besides his wife the deceased leaves no family.

Mr. Perry was an early settler

of Andrain county coming to this city from near Ladonia about 25 years ago.

Funeral services were conducted from the home Friday by Rev. C. C. Seelman. The LEXONIAN joins the community in extending sympathy to the bereaved wife.

Sawdust Replaces Bread Crumbs.

Sawdust is now used by some Paris restaurants, the Gauls say, as a dressing for oysters, instead of bread crumbs. It costs only thirty cents a sack.

Mr. James Montague is home

from Ft. Worth, Texas, on business. Mr. Montague's many friends will be glad to know that he is prosperous and happy.

Go to the Windsor Hotel for your

meals. The best table and cooking guaranteed. Sunday dinner a specialty. d&wt

Miss Stella Berry has a position

with the Mexico Variety Store and will be glad to see her friends there.

Bill Hagdale is the best barman

maker Mexico has ever had. All of his work is guaranteed.

Mrs. Fred Bronough, of St. Louis,

is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Robertson.

Dave Robertson has returned from

the State University and will spend Christmas at home.

Jeter Crews and Ralph Mason

are home from the University to spend the holidays.

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Christmas with relatives in St. Joseph.

ELEVEN HAVE TAKEN STOCK.

Plans are Fast Maturing and Permanent Organization is Expected to be Made Soon—Meeting Thursday Night.

At the county fair meeting in the North Missouri Trust Company building Thursday night, eleven of the desired fifteen men expressed themselves as willing to take stock in the enterprise. Those eleven shares have been signed for, and it is thought that there will be no trouble in securing the other four, as several have the matter under consideration and think favorably of it.

Many have pledged cash contributions toward the \$2,000, which is to be raised by subscription, though no soliciting has yet been done. Every thing seems to point favorably toward the success of the enterprise. Those who have formally signed for stock in the block of fifteen are:

J. A. Mellette
C. W. Lewis
Middleton & Morris
W. L. Harper
Willard Potts
Adcock & Weir
A. D. Jackson
Lakeman & Barnes
W. F. Atkinson
George Lee
Will Lee

As soon as the remaining four shares have been disposed of, it is thought that the company will be ready to make plans for a permanent organization. The next meeting is called for 7 o'clock Tuesday night at the Southern Bank.

A large attendance is desired and it is hoped that all who are interested in the success of the enterprise will be present.

UNCLE PAUL MORRIS TELLS US THAT HE

and Joe Price will make "application" January 1st for privilege to run a street car line starting from the Rigo corner running thence to Cottonwood Springs. Hope they will be successful as this will help make Mexico a greater city. If they succeed, works out all o. k., "hallelu" Pat will be conductor and Col. Price motorman.

Young Mr. Plunkett, who was a

soldier in the Philippine war, and reported to have been lost at sea, is in Mexico the guest of his uncle, J. W. Plunkett, and his many friends will be glad to know he is enjoying splendid health.

A. L. Klein and family have moved to Greenville Ark., where Mr. Klein has a railroad position.

Frank Peek, who has been in

Texas for several weeks with a view of locating in that state, will return to grand old Andrain about the first of the new year. Frank doesn't like that country very much, and then 'tis hard to leave one's sweetheart behind. The glad hand will be extended to Mr. Peek on his return home.—Cottonwood Springs Sharp-Shooter.

THE STANDARD COUGH AND COLD CURE FOR OVER

75 YEARS NOW COMES ALSO IN A 25c size. Convenient to carry with you. Don't be without it. Ask your druggist. Trade MARK FREE. Write to Dr. J. E. Blaine & Son, Philadelphia.

JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT

the standard cough and cold cure for over 75 years now comes also in a 25c size. Convenient to carry with you. Don't be without it. Ask your druggist. Trade MARK FREE. Write to Dr. J. E. Blaine & Son, Philadelphia.

MAIL RESCUED IN POSTOFFICE FIRE.

800 Stamps and \$500 Cash Destroyed With Troy Mo., Building.

Troy, Mo., Dec. 21.—Eight hundred stamps and \$500 in cash were lost in a fire which destroyed the Postoffice here this morning. The building was a two-story brick structure, and, in addition to the Postoffice, was occupied by a restaurant of which Allen Bros. were the proprietors.

The blaze originated in the restaurant. It was discovered at 5 o'clock. The flames spread rapidly, and, although citizens worked hard, it was impossible to save the stamps and cash. A large quantity of mail matter, however, was rescued.

HABITS OF HORSE AND DONKEY.

Easily Traced Back to Their Remote Ancestors.

The ancestors of the horse were accustomed to roam over the plains, where every tuft of grass or bush might conceal an enemy waiting to spring upon them. Under these circumstances they must often have saved their lives by starting quickly back or jumping to one side when they came without warning upon some strange object. This is a habit which has not been lost, even after long years of domestication.

On the other hand, the donkey is descended from animals which lived among the hills, where there were precipices and dangerous declivities, and from these conditions resulted his slowness and sure footedness. His ancestors were not so liable to sudden attacks from wild beasts and snakes. Besides, sudden and wild starts would have been positively dangerous to them. Consequently they learned to avoid the very trick which has been so useful to the horse. The habit of eating thistles, which is peculiar alone to the donkey, is also descended from these ancestors. In the dry, barren localities which they inhabited there was often little food; hence they learned to eat hard, dry and even prickly plants when there was nothing else.

HANDSOME PRESENT.

Fine Set of Up-to-Date Chinaware to be Given by the Ledger For Six Weekly Subscribers.

NO POLITICS FOR SOLDIERS.

Revolutionary Decision Made by Army Physicians.

Lined and laced meat have been dropped from army medicines, and the army physicians have recently decided that it is the opinion of the army general office that politics have no place in modern therapeutics, all the good results obtainable from them being got in a much more cleanly way by hot water compresses.

The prohibition of the time-honored laced meat, the best material for politeness, seems to interfere with a method practiced by a large number of physicians, who would be inclined to testify that without it our soldiers would not receive the best care. There is surely much to be said on both sides. The psychological effect of a politeness is entirely lost at least of a successful family physician to ignore, and why deprive the soldier of the old fashioned comfort?—Medical Record.

Make-Up of Human Body.

Some one has figured that the normal human body has in it the ton needed to make seven large candles, the fat for fourteen pounds of candles, the carbon for sixty-five gross of crayons and phosphorus enough for \$20,000 worth of matches. Out of it can be obtained, besides, twenty quarts of oil, fifty pounds of sugar and forty-five liters of water.

Harry Stocks, of Westminster College,

Fulton, is home.

Mrs. Herta Carico, who has been ill,

is better.